

## **INFORMATION BULLETIN**

## WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT

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TO: WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT COMMUNITY

SUBJECT: OLDER YOUTH CREDENTIAL SURVEY

The purpose of this information bulletin is to encourage the Local Workforce Investment Areas (LWIA) to contribute their Older Youth Credential measurement promising practices. The Employment Development Department in partnership with Social Policy Research Associates and Public Private Ventures is developing a training workshop on program design principles that lead to viable youth credentials that meet the definition of Workforce Investment Act performance measures.

As part of our commitment to continuous improvement, we are requesting LWIAs to contribute the Best or Effective Practices that they are using in attaining youth credentials. We are seeking to collect practices that lead to a measurable technical or occupational skill.

The input you provide will be used to develop a workshop that will be provided in the Spring of 2004. As we are all aware, Common Performance Measurements for federal job training and employment programs are being implemented. Under the new Common Performance Measurements criteria the definition of a certificate is more stringent. With this workshop we will cover program design and considerations for local areas, helping you develop a viable credentials program.

Please send your practices to Jim Fitzgerald at <a href="mailto:ifitzger@edd.ca.gov">ifitzger@edd.ca.gov</a> or fax to (916) 654-9586 by January 16, 2004.

If you have questions regarding this bulletin, please contact Jim Fitzgerald, Performance Management Unit, at (916) 654-8298.

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